

West Lafayette Go Greener Commission 222 North Chauncey West Lafayette, IN 47906

## **West Lafayette Go Greener Commission Meeting**

Minutes of Regularly Scheduled Commission Meeting Tuesday, July 7, 2015, 6:05 PM West Lafayette Public Library

Attending: Lindsey Payne; Bill Arthur; Peter Bunder; James Britton; Michelle Long; Parr Durr

Absentees: Thom Davis; Allen Jacobsen

Others: Dave Henderson

## Agenda

I. Peter: Call to order, 6:07 PM

- II. Approval of minutes
  - a. Lindsey motions to approve, Parr seconds, approved
- III. Appointment of Chair
  - a. Lindsey Katherine has left, so position is vacant; Lindsey will do it, would like to have a new Communications person
  - b. Peter need to recruit 2 Commission appointments (1 non-resident, 1 resident), 1 Council (1 non-resident)
- IV. Rain Barrels
  - a. Dave put in 3<sup>rd</sup> order, TV 18 spot was a success—included overview, barrel at someone's house; sold about 20 barrels—terra cotta best seller, has been delivering them, limiting 2 per resident, includes the WREC package (barrel, diverter, stand)
  - b. Michelle will check to see if we can get the link or post the video from TV 18
  - c. Bill set up barrel at Paint the Rain event; didn't get a lot of attention, mostly kids running around, a few adults passed by
  - d. Lindsey any other events that would be appropriate? Dancing in the Streets, Jazz & Blues, Art on the Wabash? Maybe not the right group
  - e. Parr will try and promote by word of mouth through Wabash Shores FB page
  - f. Peter we can use them as a target neighborhood for this effort, increase awareness of erosion and run-off
- V. State Street Plan
  - a. Lindsey—where does this stand?
  - b. Dave plans have been submitted, under review
  - Peter lot of environmental work to be done out by city-approved tech park project (Todd's Creek Project) out by the airport, big environmental engineering, something for us to watch
- VI. WREC 319 Grant Support Letter
  - a. Peter did we send a letter and did they thank us



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b. Lindsey – yes to both

## VII. Other ideas

- a. Parr work on acceptance to more prairie style landscaping, raising awareness
- b. Lindsey WREC has a list of projects if they are funded through that money, could we connect with a project? Are there other ideas? Passions?
- c. Parr plastic bags? There is a precedent for regulation—fees, ban, reusable, etc.
- d. Bill Styrofoam usage?
- e. Michelle composting?
- f. Lindsey we have done a workshop and gave out bins through a Tipmont grant
- g. Bill In Pittsburgh we had yard waste piled and then they composted it
- h. Peter could we put up an online poll?
- Parr community gardens, Purdue one works really well, but will go with new tech park;
  could put on corner of Lindberg and Salisbury
- j. Bill lot of energy with biking
- k. Peter any interest in dealing with the state suits against environmental rules, partnering with WREC, HEC?
- I. Parr reincorporate educational component
- m. Lindsey host 20-30 minute educational topic before meeting, might attract more attention, perhaps do something with rain barrels—Q&A, educational component
- n. Peter is opportunity to incentivize rain barrel use, native gardens, in the future, still new
- o. Bill trash on highways and bi-ways, how successful is recycling—making money, losing money
- p. Peter would like to see Thom take a swing at the current trash count
- q. James will set up a draft with landing page and survey link off of it—can put on GG FB; GG page; WL City page
- r. Lindsey -
- VIII. Next meeting, Tuesday, August 4, 2015 at 6:00 PM
- IX. Parr—Adjournment
  - a. James motions to adjourn, Parr seconds, adjournment, 7:08 PM

Next meeting August, 4, 2015, 6:00 PM!

Recorded by Lindsey Payne and submitted to Go Greener Board of Commissioners on July 7, 2015. Approved May minutes submitted to Betina Cochran, July 7, 2015.